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## NEBRASKA HOG INVENTORY UP 2 PERCENT

LINCOLN, Neb., June 29, 2007 -- Nebraska inventory of all hogs and pigs on June 1, 2007, was 3.05 million head, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, Nebraska Field Office. This was 2 percent above June 1, 2006 but unchanged from March 1, 2007. Breeding inventory, at 360,000 head, was 1 percent below June 1, 2006 but unchanged from last quarter. Market hog inventory, at 2.69 million head, was 2 percent above last year but unchanged from last quarter.

The March-May 2007 Nebraska pig crop, at 1.67 million head, was 1 percent above 2006. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 180,000 head, unchanged from last year.

Nebraska hog producers intend to farrow 180,000 sows during the June-August 2007 quarter, up 3 percent from the actual farrowings during the same period in 2006 and 2005. Intended farrowings for September-November 2007, are 180,000 sows, down 3 percent from the actual farrowings during the same period in 2006.

## U.S. HOG INVENTORY UP 2 PERCENT

U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on June 1, 2007 was 62.8 million head. This was up 2 percent from both June 1, 2006 and March 1, 2007.

Breeding inventory, at 6.12 million head, was up 1 percent from last year and 2 percent from the previous quarter. Market hog inventory, at 56.6 million head, was up 2 percent from both last year and last quarter.

The March-May 2007 pig crop, at 27.1 million head, was up 2 percent from 2006 and up 4 percent from 2005. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.97 million head, up 1 percent from 2006 and up 3 percent 2005. The average pigs saved per litter was 9.15 for the March-May 2007 period, compared to 9.08 last year.

U.S. hog producers intend to have 2.96 million sows farrow during the June-August 2007 quarter, up 2 percent from the actual farrowings and up 1 percent from 2005. Intended farrowings for September-November 2007, at 2.96 million sows, are up slightly from 2006 and up 2 percent from 2005.

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